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To: Jane Henney, MD Commissioner FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville MD 20857

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RE: Livestock Antibiotics

Dear Commissioner:

As much as half of the antibiotics sold in the US are used in factory livestock production to prevent the outbreak of disease and promote growth. 40 - 80% of this use is unnecessary the National Research Council and Institute of Medicine reported in 1998. 6 of the 17 classes of anibiotics used as animal growth promoters are also used tot reat human illnesses. As we know repeated exposure to antibiotics permits the development and proliferation of resistant strains.

Revise guidelines have been proposed for livestock antibiotics. PLEASE consider supporting guidelines which would DENY approval of antibiotics for animal use if the same drug is used to treat infection in humans.

Thank you for your consideration and respectfully submitted:

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